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SENATOR CHAMBERS:    ...law?

SENATOR QUANDAH:    Yes, that's...yes, it is.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Why...what is the rationale for that, if you know?

SENATOR QUANDAH:    You know, I'm not sure. That's another one of those items that predates me. I believe the 60 percent is just when it goes before the voters at a special election. If it goes before just a general election or not a specially called election it's just 50 percent.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    That's about all that I'll have time to ask you now. Thank you, Senator Quandahl.

SENATOR QUANDAH:    Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    Thank you, Senator Quandahl. Senator Chambers, your light is next, but you have spoken three times. I'm sorry. Senator Tyson.

SENATOR TYSON:    My time to Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    You have almost five minutes, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    I want to thank the gentleman known as "Baron" Tyson for graciously letting me use some of his time. Senator Quandahl, in Section 16 we talk about the city abandoning proceedings or if the voters do not approve. If either of those contingencies occur then the city cannot initiate any new proceedings to acquire this utility until 24 months have elapsed from the date the abandonment occurred, the abandonment of proceedings, or when the vote of nonapproval took place. Why was the 24-month period put in there, or is that also in the existing law?

SENATOR QUANDAH:    I believe that's also in existing law. It's my understanding, too, that if...if that...if a vote is taken